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C O N F I D E N T I A L DAKAR 2070

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PGOV, SG, US, PINT, RH  
SUBJECT: RHODESAA: SENGHOR'S VIEWS

REF: STATE 67847 (NOTAL)

1. DURING OUR CONVERSATION MARCH 17, PRESIDENT SENGHOR SAID HE CONSIDERS THE CURRENT ANGLO-AMERICAN POLICY ON RHODESIA TO BE THE BEST ONE POSSIBLE. SENGHOR SAID THAT IT WOULD BE A COMPLETE INJUSTICE FOR RHODESIA TO BE HANDED OVER TO THE PATRIOTIC FRONT UNDER THE LATTER'S CURRENT TERMS, NO MATTER WHAT KAUNDA AND OTHERS MIGHT DEMAND. HE EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT NKOMO AND MUGABE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO WIN A MAJORITY OF THE VOTES OF THE RHODESIAN PEOPLE, AND ARE THEREFORE UNWILLING TO ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE OF A FREE ELECTION.

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2. ON THE SUBJECT OF THE INTERNAL SETTLEMENT, SENGHOR SAID HE AGREES WITH OUR VIEW THAT THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN SMITH ON THE ONE HAND AND MUZOREWA, SITHOLE AND CHIRAU ON THE OTHER IS INADEQUATE. HE SAID THAT WE AND THE BRITISH MUST KEEP PLUGGING AWAY AND TRY TO GET THE VARIOUS ZIMBABWE ELEMENTS TOGETHER ON AN ACCEPTABLE

SETTLEMENT. THERE IS NO OTHER OPTION.

3. COMMENT: THIS IS AN EVOLUTION IN SENGHOR'S THINKING.  
WHEN THE INTERNAL SETTLEMENT TALKS WERE JUST GETTING UNDER-  
WAY A FEW MONTHS AGO, HE RECOMMENDED THAT THE US AND THE  
UK ENCOURAGE THEM. AS WE HOWEVER,SENGHOR IS CLEARLY  
NOT HAPPY WITH THE RESULTS.  
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